(c) Does not arise.

Houses in Uttar Pradesh

5342. SHRI RAM SAGAR : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any survey has been conducted or proposed to be conducted with regard to the shortage of houses in Uttar Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) the number of houses required in Barabanki and the time by which the houses would be constructed and made available to the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b) The 1991 Census of India has estimated the housing shortage of Uttar Pradesh at 1251095 for the State as a whole. The Government proposes to provide houses to all houseless rural poor by 2000 A.D.

Misuse of Funds

5343. SHRI RAM SAGAR : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether complaints received by the Government relating to irregularities, embazziement, misuse of funds, sanctioned for the development activities in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) whether the Government propose to strengthen the system of monitoring and ensure that the funds are only utilized for the schemes for which these were allocated ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) to (c) Some complaints have been received by the Centre relating to irregularities of Jawahar Rozgar Yojna (JRY) from some States including Uttar Pradesh. On receipt of complaints in respect of any programme, the same are immediately forwarded to concerned State Government for taking appropriate remedial action. The Government has evolved a strong system of Montoring of Rural Development Programmes through various measures like periodical progress reports from the States, field inspection by State, district and blocks staff as per the schedule of inspections, field inspections by Senior Officers of Central Government under Areas Officers Schemes, meeting of Project Directors, DRDA and State Secretary incharge of Rural Development and Concurrent Evaluation of Rural Development Programmes. Further, instructions have also been issued to State Governments for setting up of Monitoring and Vigilance Committees at State, district and block level. Thus all efforts are made to ensure that the funds are utilised properly.

[Translation]

Election of Mandi Societies

5344. SHRI SOHANBEER : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the elections for Mandi Societies in Uttar Pradesh have not been conducted for the last twenty six years;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the election are likely to be held; and

(c) the number of Mandi Societies in Uttar Pradesh, district-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AAREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The elections to Mandi Societies in Uttar Pradesh could not be held so far because the complete electoral college reguired for the purpose under Section 13 of the U.P. Krishi Utpadan Mandi Adhiniyam, 1964, was not timely available. Presently, the State of U.P. is under the President's rule and election to the State Assembly is going to be held shortly. The decision regarding elections to Mandi Societies shall be taken by the State Government to be constituted after the Assembly elections.

(c) A statement showing the district-wise number of Mandi Societies in Uttar pradesh is enclosed.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DISTRICT WISE NAME OF MANDI SOCIETIES IN UTTAR PRADESH

DIVISION	DISTRICT	MANDI
1. Meerut	1. Muzaffarnagar	1. Muzaffarnagar
		2. Kairana
		3. Kandhara
		4. Shamli
		5. Khatauli
		6. Thana Bhavan
		7. Shahpur
	2. Meerut	8. Meerut
		9. Mawani
		10. Sardhana
		11. Baraut
		12. Khekra